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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CALCULATING LICENSING  
FEE OF DIGITAL CONTENTS AND MEDIUM RECORDED  
WITH OPERATIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE METHOD AND  
SYSTEM

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Examiner: Jonathan Ouelette

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 & 1.98**

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It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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|  | <b>JP-A-2000-148162</b> | <b>05-26-2000</b> | <b>Japan</b> |       |          | <b>*Yes</b> |    |
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